

## Alexandria Gazette.

WEDNESDAY EVENING, NOV. 30, 1904.

## Local Matters.

Sun rises tomorrow at 6:50 and sets 4:38. High water at 1:27 a. m. and 2:04 p. m.

WEATHER PROBABILITIES.—For this section fair tonight, with a cold wave, minimum temperature about 24°. Thursday fair, colder; fresh west to northwest winds.

## Fire in a Church.

Hannah Lee, a domestic at the residence of Judge J. K. M. Norton, shortly before seven o'clock last night had her attention attracted by smoke which was emerging from the belfry at the base of the steeple on the northwestern corner of the Baptist Church building, on south Washington street. A blaze subsequently appeared when a telephone message from Judge Norton's residence caused a fire alarm to be sounded. A light rain was falling at the time and occasionally heavy flares of wind came from the south. These conditions did not prevent the assembling of a large crowd. The fire department lost no time in appearing upon the scene, but while getting to work a conflict of authority ensued between the firemen and some persons interested in the church. The issue arose as to the practicability of throwing water into the church—or certain parts of the church. The department soon went to work, however, in earnest and were not long in subduing the flames and preventing what might have proven a disastrous conflagration, not only in the destruction of the church building but of other structures which would probably have been set on fire by embers sent flying through the air by the wind. As stated above, the fire originated mysteriously in the belfry and burned downward through the flooring and into the choir area at the western end of the gallery, where the wainscoting was damaged. Fortunately the organ escaped injury. The damage by fire and water, (the latter necessarily falling into a position of the auditorium) will probably reach \$1,000. The building is insured for \$8,000. The damages will be repaired as soon as possible. In the meantime services will be held in the lecture room of the church. Trinity Methodist and the M. E. Church South were kindly rendered to the Baptists should they desire to use either. James Taylor, the sexton, says that when he left the church at 5 o'clock yesterday evening there was no fire in the building.

## Knights of Pythias.

A very interesting meeting of Oriental Lodge, No. 6, Knights of Pythias, was held last night in their castle hall on north Pitt street. After the regular routine of business had been disposed of remarks under good of the order were made by Past Grand Prelate W. H. May, P. G. R., Ernest R. Boyer and P. C. T. L. Carlin. At a meeting of the Supreme Lodge of the World, a jewel of honor, known as a Pythian Veteran's Jewel, was adopted. This jewel is to be worn only by Pythians who have held membership in the order for twenty-five consecutive years. Past Grand Representative E. R. Boyer, who is recognized both by the local lodges and the grand lodge as a Pythian orator, in his usual happy and pleasing manner, on behalf of several members of the order, presented P. C. M. R. Norris with a beautiful Gold Veteran's Jewel. P. C. Norris, who is the only Pythian in the city eligible to receive the honor, responded to the gift in a neat and appropriate speech.

## The Christmas Season.

Alexandria merchants are now receiving supplies of holiday goods. Numbers of original creations will be displayed in the various departments, many of which are sure to attract. Some of the mechanical toys, for instance, will prove interesting to purchasers of Christmas articles, while the display of jewelry and the higher order of holiday goods will be lavish. Bakers, confectioners and others will exercise their skill in producing the best and most inviting displays. Some people in business have long since realized that Christmas without advertising their productions is Hamlet without Hamlet. Others, however, plod along in the rear without utilizing printers' ink.

## Carts Robbed.

Several freight cars were broken open and robbed of part of their contents on the Portner side track, a short distance this side of St. Asaph Junction, last night. The train had been placed on the branch track in order to allow a passenger train to pass, and it is said, did not remain on the siding over ten minutes. The thieves were on the look-out and evidently by the time the wheels had ceased to revolve were at work. Champagne, small cans of molasses, soap, &c., were among the articles stolen, while some were scattered alongside the track.

## A Dangerous Custom.

The chronic complaint against persons who cast banana skins in the streets or on vitrified brick roadways is again becoming loud. A lady and gentleman who accidentally stepped upon these menaces to life and limb were thrown to the pavement on King street yesterday, but fortunately escaped serious injury. People who drop banana rinds or other oranges or other fruit on the street are guilty of misdemeanors, and an example must sooner or later be made of the offenders.

## Personal.

Mr. James Beck is ill at his residence on south Fairfax street. Mr. Warren P. Taylor, of Richmond, traffic manager of the Washington-Southern Railway Company, was in the city today on a short visit to friends. Messrs. Charles Oebert and Arthur Smith left today for Richmond, they having secured employment at Cameron & Tenant's machine shops in that city.

## Another Cold Wave Coming.

The cold wave which settled over this vicinity Saturday night was followed by milder conditions and light rain last night. The mercury in the thermometer today had reached 61°. Two days ago it was down to 30°. The Weather Bureau announces that an arctic wave is in transit, and that the mercury will be down to 26° by tomorrow.

## To Subscribers.

Subscribers are requested to pay their subscription bills promptly on presentation. Collections are made by routes and it is very inconvenient for the collectors to be compelled to make frequent calls at the same house.

## River Notes.

Steamers arriving from the lower river report that the fourth buoy marking the main ship channel through the Kettle Bottom shoals is broken off close to the edge of the water and in such a way as to be dangerous to navigation. The buoy is one of the channel marks through one of the most difficult parts of the Potomac.

The sand and gravel-digging machine of the Potomac Dredging Company, which was built at this place last summer, is now located in Piscataway creek, above Fort Washington, and is taking sand and gravel from the bottom of that stream for use in Washington. It is stated that during the coming winter the Potomac Company will have another and a larger digging machine built for use on the river. The tug George W. Price owned by Capt. A. J. Fair, of this city, is now towing the barges.

A large lighter built for a coal firm in Washington has been launched at the shipyard. Another scow for the same party is still on the stocks and will be launched shortly.

A pile-driving machine of Carter & Clark of Washington was taken into Gravelly creek, on the Virginia side of the river below Jackson City, Monday afternoon for the purpose, it is stated, of building a trestle over the creek for the new tracks of the Washington-Southern railway between Washington and Alexandria.

## Officers Suspended.

Mayor Paff this afternoon summoned Officers John T. Roberts and William Mayhugh before him and read the charges which had been preferred against them by Chief Webster of improper conduct while in the discharge of their duty. He informed the accused that it was their privilege to employ counsel and have an investigation of the charges should they deem such a course proper. The two officers, however, acknowledged the truth of the charges urged against them. Mayor Paff then said the accused had imposed a hardship upon him, and that it would be his duty to take immediate steps in the matter. He therefore suspended both for a term of thirty days, observing that it was in the province of the Police Board to further investigate the matter should the members deem proper.

## Police Court.

[Justice H. B. Caton presiding.] The following cases were disposed of this morning:

A white man, an old offender, arrested by Officer Henderson for being drunk on the street, was released upon promising to leave the city at once.

Robert Jackson, Virginia Nelson and Reuben Lewis, all colored, arrested by Officers Lyles and Beach, charged with improper conduct, were fined \$2.50 each.

A white man, arrested by Officers Smith and Sherwood for being drunk in the street, was dismissed.

Andrew Whiting, colored, charged with stealing liquor from a restaurant, had his case continued.

Patrick O'Neal, charged with stealing comforts from a dry goods store on King street, was fined \$5.

## Corporation Court.

[Judge L. C. Barley presiding.] S. H. Lunt, administrator, vs. Margaret E. O'Neal; decree confirming sale and referring case to E. B. Taylor, commissioner, for report.

W. W. McNair vs. Mary Baker et al.; decree making J. K. M. Norton party to suit and directing process to issue requiring all persons who purchased lots under a former decree to report in Court on Friday morning.

Samuel I. Strother vs. S. B. Fisher; debt; argued and submitted.

A rule was issued against J. M. Garvey to show cause why his liquor license should not be revoked.

## Funeral.

The funeral of the late Grover C. Goodrich took place this afternoon from the residence, corner of Duke and Fairfax streets, and was attended by a number of friends and acquaintances of the family. The pallbearers were Messrs. George W. Ward, R. L. Wright, James McLaughlin, Earl Lynn, Frank Glasgow and Roger Sullivan, all members of the Methodist Protestant Sunday school, with which the deceased had long been associated. Rev. Mr. Ewell conducted the services.

## Upset Bid.

In the Corporation Court today Judge J. K. M. Norton made an upset bid for the old Peyton's Grove property at the head of King street, recently sold under a decree of the court in the case of McNair vs. Baker. The property, it will be remembered, was sold in lots, a number of persons being purchasers. These parties are summoned to appear in court on Friday.

## Accident to a Lady.

Mrs. Marshall Carr, living on north Washington street, in descending a staircase this morning made a misstep and fell, breaking one of her ankles. Dr. Gorman was summoned and rendered the necessary surgical assistance.

## Resigned.

Mr. Charles E. Kell, who for several years past has been assistant marketmaster, has resigned and accepted mechanical employment in Washington. Mr. Andrew Sullivan, jr., has been appointed to the position by Marketmaster Lyles.

## Supper.

The ladies of Immanuel Lutheran Church will give an oyster supper at Odd Fellows' Hall tonight and tomorrow night. A pleasant evening is promised to those who attend.

## An Anchor to Windward.

A great merchant who began in a small way says of his advertising: "I found early that it was not merely a question of immediate results. The establishment which believes in its own future must 'cast an anchor to windward.' The future as well as the present must be taken into account."

## A Heavy Load.

To lift that load off the stomach take Kodol Dyspepsia Cure. It digests what you eat. Sour stomach, belching, gas on stomach and all disorders of the stomach that are curable, are instantly relieved and permanently cured by the use of Kodol Dyspepsia Cure. S. P. Soria, a druggist at 297 Main street, New Britain, Conn., says: "Kodol Dyspepsia Cure is giving such universal satisfaction and is so surely relieving the positive relief and subsequent cure for this distressing ailment, I feel that I am always sure to satisfy and gratify my customers by recommending it to them. I write of here, 'Kodol Dyspepsia Cure was discovered after years of scientific experiment and will positively cure all stomach troubles. Sold by all druggists."

## Lansburgh &amp; Bro.,

Washington's Favorite Store.

## TAPESTRY TABLE COVERS.

Aside from splendid values in Bed Sets and Rugs, we offer the following bargains in our Upholstery Department.

4-4 TAPESTRY TABLE COVERS; self-color effect; fringed all around; 39c

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## LOCAL BRIEFITIES.

New gutters are being laid and paved on Gibson street, between Lee and Fairfax.

To save the five percent. penalty, State tax bills must be paid by tomorrow.

Col. Baldwin Huffy, a brother of Mr. Francis Huffy, formerly of this city, but now of Washington, died several days ago at Mt. Vernon, Wash.

Elizabeth and Joseph Payne, mother and son, both colored, of Loudoun, passed through this city today in charge of Guard E. Johnson for the Petersburg asylum.

Mr. Samuel H. Lunt will offer for sale at auction tomorrow a horse recently brought to this city by the Washington-Southern Railway. The sale will take place at P. Peterson's livery stable at noon.

Washington merchants are advertising shoes, hats, &c., in the Gazette and are selling their goods to Alexandrians and people in the surrounding country and the Alexandria merchants are making no effort to secure this trade.

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Powell had only just arrived on the evening train to pass the winter with her mother there. The deceased leaves two sons, one of whom lives in Washington and is a lieutenant in the army. Mrs. Powell had many friends in this city.

## Card of Thanks.

I take great pleasure in expressing the sentiments of the board of trustees and members of the First Baptist Church and hereby tender our heartfelt thanks and grateful appreciation to the Chief, membership of the various companies composing the Fire Department and kind-hearted citizens of our city for their timely arrival, untiring exertions and the expedition manner in which they subdued the fire at our church last evening.

We also thank our sister churches for their generous invitation to hold services and meetings at their sanctuaries pending repairs necessitated by the fire. Respectfully, JAMES R. MANSFIELD, Clerk Board of Trustees.

## A Startling Test.

To save a life Dr. T. G. Merritt, of No. Mc-hoopany, Pa., made a startling test, resulting in a wonderful cure. He writes, "a patient was attacked with violent hemorrhaging caused by ulceration of the stomach. I had often found Electric Bitters excellent for stomach and liver troubles so I prescribed them. The patient gained from the first, and has not had an attack in 14 months." Electric Bitters are positively guaranteed for Dyspepsia, Indigestion, Constipation and Kidney troubles. Try them. Only 50c at E. S. Lead-better & Sons.

## The Best Lintment.

"Chamberlain's Pain Balm is considered the best lintment on the market," write Post & Bliss, of Georgia, Vt. No other lintment will heal a cut or bruise so promptly. No other affords such quick relief from rheumatic pains. No other is so valuable for deep seated pains like lame back and pains in the chest. Give this lintment a trial and become acquainted with its remarkable qualities and you will never wish to be without it. For sale by Gibson & Timberman and W. F. Creighton & Co., druggists.

OSCAR F. CARTER, President.

CHARLES P. WALLER, JR., Secretary.

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## Marachino

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In quart, pint and half pint bottles.

## Thomas Lannon.

SCISSORS.

KNIVES and RAZORS ground; razors honed; locks, guns, typewriters, baby carriages, lamps, oil stoves, repaired; keys fitted.

F. D. CRAIN & SON, 104 N. Pitt St.

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ONE OF THE GIFTS THAT PLEASES MOST IS A

WATCH.

It is as useful as it is beautiful if it is an

Acton Precision Watch.

The reliable watch for man, woman and child.

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JEWELERS AND SILVERSMITHS.

Christmas Goods

After devoting the past THREE MONTHS to the TOY BUSINESS here and in New York I have at last the finest assortment of Toys I have ever displayed. My Toys are now displayed on the first and second floors, where will be found DOLLS from \$15 to 10c.

Mechanical Toys.

The very latest designs. Something really broken—Long Leap Mills, Loop-the-Loops, Ferris Wheels, &c.

Dolls.

Kid Dolls, selling in Washington at \$1.19; Alexandria at \$1. and at this store, &c. Dressed Dolls, elsewhere at 35c and 50c; at this store 25c. Drums, new and latest designs, from 10c to \$3.50.

Wagons and Hobby Horses

From 10c to \$15. Hair Horses, Rocking Horses, Shoddyies, Iron Wagons, Wooden Wagons, Coasters, Sleds, the newest designs, &c.

Christmas Books.

To begin with all copyrights are at \$1.08. These make beautiful presents.

Picture Books, Cloth Books, Picture Books, Bibles, Testaments, &c.

Remember.

I have got to rebuild my store, and the goods I now have got to be sold. With this in view remember you can get genuine bargains here that no other house in town can offer. Call and see for yourself.

R. E. KNIGHT,

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Our business hours from now on— 8 a. m. to 6 p. m.

## A Resplendent Christmas Store.

Sparkling with newness gathered from everywhere a worth while—teeming with suggestions of the joyous Christmas festival, so near at hand—it is more than ever alert to meet the expectations of its public.

Holiday shopping ought to be a pleasure. It is a pleasure to those who shop early—before the crowds come and the fine, rare things go—for they do every year before some people see them.

The assortments of carefully selected novelties are now at their best, and it is now that the rarest and best articles are to be found.

The store service is organized to make your Christmas buying the most satisfying and safe—prompt, pleasant, convenient, comfortable. And the great, broad aisles and spacious floors afforded by the eight-story building present advantages that will be more fully realized and appreciated as the holiday season advances.

Selections made now will be held as advised and promptly delivered when promised.

Silverware, Jewelry, Leather Goods, Umbrellas, etc., marked free.

Goods boxed or otherwise made presentable when practicable.

The place for checking wraps, parcels,